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April 21st., '17.

Robert A. Falconer, President of Toronto University,

Dear Dr. Falconer:-

Your letter of 12th. inst., in reply to mine, of earlier date, read with much interest. I referred its suggestions, with regard to speakers and the loan of pictures of Toronto University, for use in the Canadian Section, of our Allied Bazaar, to the managment of that section, and, needless to say, the speakers, you suggested, will be highly appreciated, or such of them, as may find it practicable.

If you will find it convenient, at an early date, to send me the photographs, of Toronto University, mentioned in you letter, of 12th., I will greatly appreciate same, as the Booth Committee, is much pleased at your offer and desire to have them appropriately placed with the other exhibits, which give expression to the natural resources, commercial and educational wealth of that great country to our north, so closely allied, through its people and its political instincts with the United States, now in league for the same humanitarian rights, which must prevail, if life shall preserve such liberty, as will create ideals, that lift mankind, above the mere dross of material exhistance.

If you would kindly send me the addresses of those gentlemen, you suggested, as available for speakers, on the 24th. of May, together with that of Sir Wilfred Laurier, whose name has been prominent in our lists, I shall highly appreciate the timely courtesy.

Greatly regretting your own inability to be present with us, on that occasion, and speak upon the Great War and its remedy, I anait any further, you may present, Yours very truly,

John D Bonnar

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University of Toronto Alumni Association

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April 10th., '17.

President Falconer, University of Toronto,

Dear Mr. Falconer:-

Since writing you the letter, herewith, have just received some of our new Alumni stationery, so, being new-fangled, take the excuse of writing a few lines thereon, thus showing to our sponsors, that they started us off, with some growing evidence of our keeping on the wing.

. I might also remark, that we have had one meeting since you were here and passed some resolutions, as to dues and number of meetings to be held, during the year. The former, was $2. for those graduates, under five years standing, while those over that time-$5., per annum. We decided to hold five meetings during the year-the two summer months being our vacation season-one every second month, that will be called a smoker, at which we will serve a luncheon, while the 5th. will be a banquet. At the regular bi-monthly meetings, we will supply the talent for our entertainment, from amongst the members, while the talent, for the banquet, will be from without. This will afford us a chance occasionally to have yourself or some other University man, that you might advise, to fill the bill.

. I also thought there was a little indefiniteness in my other letter, that possibly had left the impression, that it referred to our Alumni Association, while it just refers to the Bazaar. With best wishes, I am,

Yours truly,

John D. Bonnar

April 12th, 1917

Dr. J. D. Bonnar,

144 Jewett Avenue,

Buffalo, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Bonnar:

I am very much interested in your two letters. The fact that you have already had letter paper printed with the heading of the Alumni Association shows that you are established.

I am sorry that it will be impossible for me to go to the Allies Bazaar, Canadian Division, on May 24th. On that day and previous days I have to be in Ottawa attending the meetings of the Royal Society and of the Universities of the Dominion.

I am afraid also that you will not be able to secure the Governor-General for that date, as he was not able to accept our invitation in Ottawa having arranged for some trip and made engagement which he must fulfil.

For the moment the only men of whom I could think would be Sir Thomas White, Minister of Finance, Sir George Foster, Sir William Hearst or Mr. N. W. Rowell.

We shall be glad to send you some photographs of the University which we hope will prove to be of interest in your bazaar. With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

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April 25th, 1917

Dr. J. D. Bonnar,

Buffalo, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Bonnar:

The following are the addresses for which you asked in your letter:

Sir Wilfred Laurier, Parliament Buildings, Ottawa.

Sir Thomas White, Minister of Finance, Parliament Buildings, Ottawa.

Sir George Foster, Minister of Trade and Commerce, Ottawa.

Sir William Hearst, Parliament Buildings, Toronto.

N. W. Rowell, Esq., Parliament Buildings, Toronto.

I hope to send you by the end of this week fifteen photographs, mounted, of the various university buildings, which you may place in any way you like for the Bazaar.

Yours sincerely,

President.

June 22nd, 1917

Dr. J. D. Bonnar,

Buffalo, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Bonnar:

Many thanks for your letter. I am grateful to you for your congratulations and I hope that the honour will be for the advantage of the University.

I am glad also that you were at the Alumni Association in New York and that you were pleased with what was done. I do not see any reason why you should not allow a graduate of the Royal College of Dental Surgeons to join the Alumni Association. We now give them a degree and as they hold it they are our graduates.

Hoping you a pleasant summer,

I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.